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## A BILL FOR

1 An Act establishing a rural community dentist loan repayment  
2 program and fund.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:  
4 TLSB 1489YH 83  
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1 1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 261.23A RURAL COMMUNITY DENTIST  
1 2 LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM == FUND.  
1 3 1. A rural community dentist loan repayment program is  
1 4 established to be administered by the college student aid  
1 5 commission for dentists who agree to practice in an eligible  
1 6 rural community in this state.  
1 7 2. A dentist who graduated from the university of Iowa  
1 8 college of dentistry shall be eligible for the rural community  
1 9 dentist loan repayment program if the dentist agrees to  
1 10 practice in an eligible rural community in this state. The  
1 11 university of Iowa college of dentistry shall recruit and  
1 12 place dentists in rural communities that have agreed to  
1 13 provide additional funds for the dentist's loan repayment.  
1 14 The contract for the loan repayment shall stipulate the time  
1 15 period the dentist shall practice in an eligible rural  
1 16 community in this state and shall also stipulate that the  
1 17 dentist repay any funds paid on the dentist's loan by the  
1 18 commission if the dentist fails to practice in an eligible  
1 19 rural community in this state for the required period of time.  
1 20 3. For purposes of this subsection, "eligible rural  
1 21 community" means a rural community in this state underserved  
1 22 by dentists that agrees to match state funds provided on at  
1 23 least a dollar-for-dollar basis for the loan repayment of a  
1 24 dentist who practices in the eligible rural community.  
1 25 4. A rural community dentist loan repayment fund is  
1 26 created in the state treasury as a separate fund under the  
1 27 control of the commission. The fund is created for deposit of  
1 28 moneys appropriated to or received by the commission for use  
1 29 under the program. Notwithstanding section 8.33, any balance  
1 30 in the fund on June 30 of any fiscal year shall not revert to  
1 31 the general fund of the state but shall remain in the fund for  
1 32 additional loan repayment in accordance with this section.  
1 33 Notwithstanding section 12C.7, subsection 2, interest or  
1 34 earnings on moneys in the rural community dentist loan  
1 35 repayment fund shall be credited to the fund.  
2 1 5. The commission shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter  
2 2 17A to administer this section.

### EXPLANATION

2 4 This bill establishes a rural community dentist loan  
2 5 repayment program to be administered by the college student  
2 6 aid commission for dentists who graduated from the university  
2 7 of Iowa college of dentistry and who agree to serve in  
2 8 eligible rural communities for a time agreed to by the dentist  
2 9 and the commission. An eligible rural community is a rural  
2 10 community underserved by dentists that agrees to match state  
2 11 funds provided for the dentist's loans on at least a  
2 12 dollar-for-dollars basis.  
2 13 The rural community dentist loan repayment fund is created  
2 14 in the state treasury as a separate fund under the control of  
2 15 the commission. The fund is created for deposit of moneys  
2 16 appropriated to or received by the commission for use under  
2 17 the program. Moneys in the fund do not revert to the general

2 18 fund but remain in the fund for additional rural community  
2 19 dentist loan repayment. Interest or earnings on moneys in the  
2 20 fund are credited to the fund.  
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